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'Comfortable Conservation' Days Over Says R. E. McClenny, Jr.

"The days of comfortable conservation are now over" says Appomattox-Campbell soil conservationist Robert E. McClenny, Jr.

In a talk recently to the Concord Garden Club McClenny told the group about pollution problems with slides to illustrate various conditions. "No longer," he says, "can conservationists be concerned only with soil, water, forests, grasslands, wildlife and minerals. Now we must consider air and water pollution in all its forms and from all its sources."

He told the club that the world's population is predicted to increase two million a week by 1980. "We will have to work real hard just to maintain the quality of environment that we now have," he said.

He explained that up until now the United States has been a dollar oriented society. "We also need to be an environmental oriented society," he said. "It's cheaper to pollute than not to polute the environment." He called for a greater application of the Golden Rule. "Would a factory owner live down wind from his own plant," he asked. Everyone must realize that what is done on the farm affects water quality, quality of food, scenery and open space. The manner in which communities dispose of garbage wates, pollute the air and water affects everyone."

A second speaker at the program was Earl Pickett, of Pamplin, horticulturist and now a part-time staff member of the Soil Conservation Service, Appomattox. He also illustrated his talk with slides.

Murky Skies

Conservationist McClenny, speaking of individual responsibility toward pollution, said "Each small action -- each plane or car exhaust, each factory -- yes, even our own tiny backyard barbecue grill adds its tiny bit toward murky skies. Each small action -- each yard of asphalt or concrete covering the water absorbing earth contributes to flooding problems and less underground water. Each pound of garbage, each car in a feedlot, each mile of highway, each factory, each pound of pesticide and yes, even each rocket shot into space has little effect by itself, but cumulatively, the effect is staggering."

McClenny showed slides of the James River at Lynchburg, terming the James "very polluted." He quoted an estimate of 1600 pounds of garbage or trash created by each person in the U. S. and mentioned that research is underway to develop efficient ways to recycle paper, glass and metals.

He reminded his listeners that erosion of the soil is not a "historic mistake" made "when we were ignorant." Each hard rain, he says, cause soil erosion on farm land, taking away topsoil that it took nature 500 – 1,000 years to make.

Our biggest erosion problems are now urban, he told the group. Mass excavation for subdivisions, industry and other urban development has increased erosion problems.

Farmers are controlling erosin much better than in former years, he said, but the farmer creates an ecology problem when he produces large acreages of crops, a "banquet for pests." In this way, McClenny said, "we throw nature out of balance. Pests can multiply faster than their enemies." He says that in the future we will be using chemicals that dissipate rapidly and have no longer range effect on the environment.

The conservationist ended on an optimistic note. He said, "Our society has much know how and we can do whatever we want to do (to improve our environment.)"

Dr. T.F. Adams To Address Coop

Dr. Theodore F. Adams, pastor emeritus of the First Baptist Church in Richmond and an international religious leader and a past president of the Baptist World Alliance, will be the inspirational speaker at the 33rd annual meeting of the membership of the Southside Electric Cooperative in Crewe on Saturday, September 12th.

The meeting will be held at the cooperative pavilion near the Headquarters in Crewe. Registration starts at 10 a.m. The program gets under way at 1 p.m. and Dr. Adams, who will be introduced by Congressman Watkins M. Abbitt, will speak early in the afternoon. The Arthur Smith television show will furnish the entertainment, beginning at noon and from time to time through the program.

Dr. Adams is known throughout Virginia and the nation as an outstanding Baptist minister; and has been active in religious programs all over the world, speaking just recently in Toyko at an international meeting of Baptist leaders.

Besides reports during the business session, four directors will be elected by the membership. All members of the cooperative in 19 Southside Virginia counties are invited to attend. Usually more than 3,000 are present at these annual meetings and the public is invited to hear the reports and speakers.

DIAL GOOD NEWS
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The Pastor Speaks

"PAYDAY FOR SIN"

ROMANS 6:23

People live today as if there will never be a day in which we face God. "The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God." . . . Psalms 14:1

Notice first of all the way of Sin. . . "The way of transgressors is hard." (Prov. 13:15). The way of sin is hard because Satan is the master. "Ye are of your father the Devil and the will of your father ye will do. (John 8:44) The Way of sin is hard because it doesn't bring peace. (Isa. 57:21) The way of sin also leaves a man without hope. (Prov. 11:7)

Notice second the wages of sin. "The Soul that sinneth, it shall die". (Ezekiel 18:4) First, sin leaves its mark of suffering. The wrinkles of sin begin to show in time and at last it "biteth like an adder". Next sin leaves its mark of sorrow. Look at the broken homes marred by sin; the homeless children and widows. The sin leaves the mark of separation. God says "your inquities have separated be - tween you and your God. (Isa. 59:2) Paul says "The wages of sin is death . . ." (Romans 6: 23) Then . . . "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the Judgement."

Thirdly, notice the way out of sin. (Romans 6:23b) Jesus said "I am the way, the truth, and the life." (John 14:6a) Your only hope is the blood of Jesus Christ (I Peter 1:2). Paul says, "without the shedding of blood is no remission of sin".

Oh, touch the hem of His garment,
And thou, too, shalt be free!
His saving power this very hour,
Shall give new life to thee.

Earnie W. Tinnes, Pastor
Bible Baptist Church
Appomattox, Va.

OBEY TRAFFIC RULES

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

THE ONLY SACRIFICE

Lesson for August 23, 1970

Background Scripture; Genesis 12 through 23; Romans 4; Hebrews 11:8-12, 17-19.
Devotional Reading: Romans 4:13-25.

Why would Abraham want to sacrifice his own son?

The answer is that he didn't want to. It came to him as a conviction that this is what God wanted him to do. That is pretty difficult for us to understand, isn't it? Why should any man believe that God desired the death of a son for a sacrifice?

If we answer that question from the perspective of a person living in our contemporary world of the twentieth century, the reply would have to be: No justifiable reason whatsoever! Today we would regard such an act as either madness or the depths of criminality.

When In Canaan . . .

Abraham, however, was not a resident of the twentieth century and his civilization was very, very different from our own culture. He lived thousands of years before Christ was born and the religions of his day were crude and barbaric by comparison. Abraham lived in Canaan, a land where cruel and crude religions flourished in great variety. Some of them taught that the highest act of devotion to one's god was the sacrifice of a human being cherished by the worshipper. Whereas we would regard this as a grossly immoral act, they regarded it as the fulfillment of their religious obligation. Thus, the Canaanite who offered his first-born son (who was always valued most because he was the father's immediate heir), did not do so out of cruelty or brutality, but with a sense of humble self-sacrifice.

Abraham was aware that his Canaanite neighbors held human sacrifice to be the highest form of religious devotion and very likely he began to question himself as to whether God asked this of him also. He too must have come to look upon the sacrifice of one's first-born son as the supreme act of submission to one's god.

The First-Born

We usually regard the laying-down of one's life for someone else as the highest of all sacrifices. For Abraham, however, this would not have been so – as it may not be true for all of us today. In Abraham's day it was thought that one lived on after death only in one's children, particularly the son or sons through which the family line was to be perpetuated. The ancient man took comfort in knowing that, even if his own life were taken, his son would carry on the family name and tradition. So the loss of one's son, particularly the first-born son, was often regarded as a greater tragedy than the loss of one's own life. Even today fathers, if faced with a need to choose, would rather lay down their lives than allow their children to perish.

How fortunate when at last Abraham came to realize that the ways of his Canaanite neighbors were not God's ways. "God will provide" he had answered when Isaac asked about the animal that was to be sacrificed. Actually, his answer had been more accurate than he realized when he gave it. For it was when he was on the verge of sacrificing his son, God broke through to him and helped him to understand that he did not desire the death of Isaac, his son.

God Will Provide

God had indeed provided the needed sacrifice and Abraham learned that God does not desire human sacrifice. What a revolutionary idea this was for Abraham's day and age. At this point in history, by the grace of God, mankind took a giant step forward in his understanding of God.

Later, Abraham's descendents would make another great step forward in discovering what God really desires of us: "For thou hast no delight in sacrifice; were I to give a burnt offering, thou wouldst not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart . . ." (Psalms 51: 15-170.

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SMOKE AND MAKE
YOUR DOCTOR RICH

ROCKS

Tobacco cutting started here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Launi and children left Monday for their home in Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Roach have returned home after a visit to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach called to see Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ranson Tuesday night.

Alan Franklin took Harry Almond to Lynchburg Wednesday to see a doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Aulden Roach and family were camping at Lakeside in Salem a few days last week.

Donna and Ricky Dickerson, children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dickerson were on the sick list last week.

Harry Almond will enter Va. Baptist Hospital Wednesday where he will have surgery. A speedy recovery is wished him

Mrs. Herman Richardson and Sabrina spent Wednesday at Lakeside in Salem.

A few from Rocks attended the revival at Holiday Lake last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Launi, son of Connecticut, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach Sunday night.

Mrs. W. H. Elder, Mrs. Carolyn Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dean and girls were in Lynchburg Monday for a piano recital by Mrs. Elder's piano pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Dickerson and boys, and Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell Stanley were in Lynchburg Sunday for a visit to George Washington Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dean of Norfolk were visitors here with his mother, Mrs. Maude Ranson and her Sister Mrs. Grace Elder.

Mrs. Grace Elder and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ranson were in Lynchburg Saturday to attend the Virginia Vivek and Bible Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Launi were visiting in Lynchburg Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Dickerson Sr., Sunday night.

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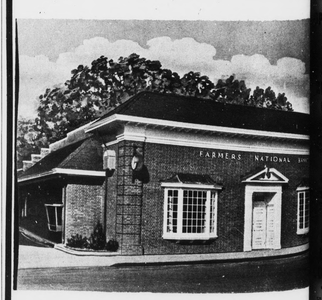

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Bags Packed For Cheer-Ful Trip

Cheerleaders of Appomattox County High School left Sunday for the Golden Cheerleader Camp at Ferrum Junior College, Ferrum, Va. At the camp the girls exchange ideas for cheers plus drills and learn the sports season just around the corner. The camp is sponsored by the National Cheerleaders Association. Local sponsor is Mrs. E. Carter Martin. Clustered around the "get-a-way" car are (from left): Melanie Folks, sophomore; Connie Guill, sophomore; Lucy Martin, senior and head cheerleader; Karen Cabaniss, junior; Kitty Simpson, sophomore; Nancy Ranson, junior; Sally Harvey, sophomore; and Patsy Jones, junior. They'll return home today (Thursday).

STONEWALL

He restoreth my Soul. Psalm 25:3

Mrs. Ruby Carson had as her house guest last week Mrs. Mabel Franklin, of Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wheeler had as their dinner guest Friday Mrs. Ruby Carson and Mrs. Mabel Franklin, and they visited the Osborne Davidson family in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hamson were guest also.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wheeler were visitors of her brother, Joh Alvis Tuesday and Mr. and Mrs. Reesie Brandt of Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stralton had a celebration last Tuesday honoring Mrs. Melvin Stralton and Mrs. Mary Gilliam on their birthdays. They had the family and a grand dinner. Such a nice way to honor our kin.

Have you gotten a cookbook that the G. A. of Hebron have out? Try to get one for they are all top recipes that have been tried by our church members.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carson and children spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carey Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Judy spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.B. McCraw.

Mr. Jon McCraw is spending some time with his grandmother in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Trent and girls spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bondurant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jennings spent a few days last week at Colonial Heights visiting daughter, Mrs. Charles Spain.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dyess and children were on vacation in Norfolk last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moore, Sr. of Newport News spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Watts Moore and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Wingfield, of Richmond, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mundy Moore.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Watts Moore and family were: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore and Timmy and Howard Ray Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Dancy McCraw.

Mrs. Mundy Moore received word Sunday that her sister-in-law, Mrs. Eugeon Howerton, of Roanoke, had had a stroke and in Roanoke Memorial Hospital. Hope she will soon be better.

Transco Makes Application For Off-shore Lines

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation proposes the first major interstate gas pipeline in Texas' newly developing offshore area.

By application filed August 10 with the Federal Power Commission, Transco expects to spend $27,325,000 for some 88 miles of onshore and offshore lines to take new gas supplies from the Block A-76 Field, Brazos Area South Addition, Getty Oil Company would supply natural gas in consideration for Transco's transporting for it up to 9,300,000 cubic feet per day to be delivered ultimately to its refinery in Delaware City, Delaware.

Transco is negotiating for the purchase of gas from other interests in the field and anticipates the execution of gas contracts with those parties in the near future for a total (including Getty) of 100,000,000 cubic feet per day initially.

Transco will construct, install, and operate about 54 1/2 miles of 30-inch pipeline and 34 miles of 20-inch line both onshore and offshore Texas, a new 880-horsepower field booster station in Matagorda County in the North Markham Field, and necessary connecting and measuring facilities. The line will enter the Gulf of Mexico about 75 miles southwest of Houston.

The proposed facilities will be financed at first through short-term loans and available cash. Permanent financing will be undertaken as part of an overall long-term financing program at a later date.

Construction is expected to begin in the spring of 1971 with service commencing by November 1, 1971.

PAMPLIN

Miss Emily Anne Williams returned home Saturday after a visit with her aunt in Cambridge, Md.

Mrs. Margaret Pugh Carwile is a patient in Charlottesville Hospital.

Miss Copeland Johnson, of Waynesboro, spent the week end with Mrs. W. M. Blackand Mary Reeves Black.

Miss Lelia Mays is a patient in Lynchburg General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Williams and son, of Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Southern, of Norfolk, and Mrs. C. V. Wingfield, of Lynchburg, visited relatives here to attend the Williams Reunion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wood, of Colonial Heights, visited their mother, Mrs. Hal F. Clark, for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Doss are vacationing in Florida this week.

Miss Mary Tolley is spending the week with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Mann, of Dorvey Beach, Delaware.

Miss Joyce Tolley and Miss Jane Persinger, of Charlottesville and Mr. Millard Tolley, of Milton, W.Va., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Tolley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thornton, of Lynchburg, announced the adoption of a daughter, Tara Lee, on August 6. Mrs. Thornton is the former Barbara Lee Richardson, of Pamplin.

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Q – I am 17 years old and will be graduated from high school this June. I am receiving survivor benefits from social security now. I am planning to attend the Central Virginia Community College for two years and then go on to the University of Virginia. Will social security help me?

A – Yes. You can continue to receive social security payments until you are 22 provided you attend an accredited school full time and are not married. Let your social security office know that you will be in school beyond the age of 18.

Q – I am still working and intend to continue working after my 65th birthday in December. When should I apply for medicare?

A – In September – three months before the month in which you will be 65.

FATHER & DAUGHTER WIN RACES

It was a triple win Sunday for Sherri Repass, 7, and her father, David Repass. Sherri won the bicycle race at Craigsville, Va. and her dad, both the 10-lap Heat and the 25-lap Feature race. He will race again this Saturday at Waynesboro where he is 4th in race point standing and Sunday at Craigsville where his two wins have put him in 1st place in points. The car is a '57 Chevrolet maintained by a crew of four at the Repass garage: Tyman Mayberry, John Glover, David Repass and his father, Bill.

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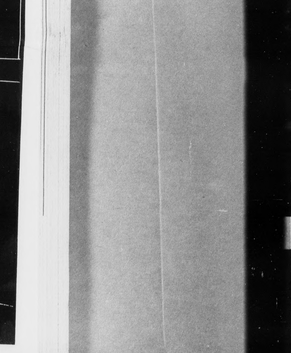

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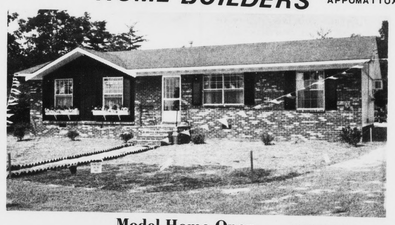

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